

ACT Programme: Partners

Global

Sexual Violence Research Initiative (SVRI)

SVRI is one of the largest global networks for advancing research on violence against women, violence against children and other forms of gender-based violence. UN Women has partnered with SVRI, to develop a new global Violence Against Women (VAW) Index together with Economist Impact. The VAW Index will support advocacy efforts and accountability of decision-makers through facilitating access to data, monitor trends and progress, and rank countries policy performance in efforts to prevent and eliminate violence against women and girls.

Breakthrough, the Coalition of Feminists for Social Change (COFEM), the Accelerator for Gender-Based Violence Prevention (Accelerator), Vecinas Feministas por la Justicia Sexual y Reproductiva en América Latina (Vecinas Feministas) and EQI

Breakthrough has formed a consortium with COFEM, the Accelerator, Vecinas Feministas and EQI for the set-up, co-hosting and convening of a new Global ACT Civil Society Platform on ending violence against women (EVAW). The ACT CSO Platform will facilitate networking, strategizing and coalition building between women's rights organizations, consolidate a shared advocacy agenda to increase momentum on EVAW, amplify the voices and advocacy priorities of grassroots WROs, foster cross-sectoral collaboration and coalition building and carry out priority advocacy actions related to forthcoming key advocacy moments and opportunities.

Latin America

Latin American and Caribbean Confederation of Domestic Workers (CONLACTRAHO)

CONLACTRAHO defends the labor and human rights of 14 million paid female domestic workers in the region, including the payment of social security, decent and dignified wages, and relationships free of violence and harassment in the workplace. Under ACT, CONLACTRAHO will work to advance respect for, and compliance with, human rights associated with the prevention, care, and eradication of all forms of violence suffered by domestic workers, within the framework of ILO Convention 190.

Working Group on Women, Drug Policies and Incarceration (GT)

The GT's mission is to reduce the number of women deprived of liberty in Latin America, provide analysis and recommendations for the development of public policies from an intersectional approach, and participate in advocacy activities at the international, regional, and national levels. Under ACT, the GT will analyze the impact of prosecution of organized crime on women, and contribute to eradicating violence against women deprived of liberty, those released, and their families through a common advocacy strategy at the regional and multilateral level.

Continental Alliance of Indigenous Women of the Americas (ECMIA)

ECMIA generates and supports initiatives for the recognition and exercise of rights of indigenous people and promotes the strengthening of indigenous identities and cultural diversity. Through ACT, ECMIA will strengthen the capacities and advocacy strategies of indigenous women and youth, with the objective of increasing influence in decision-making on policies to prevent and eradicating the multidimensional violence affecting indigenous women, youth and girls.

Organization of Salvatorian Women for Peace (ORMUSA)

ORMUSA's mission is to promote gender equality and equity, and the economic, social and political empowerment of women through political advocacy actions, facilitating access to justice and local and national development, from a human rights approach. Under ACT, ORMUSA in coalition with the Center for Research, Training, Support for Women and Youth (CICAM), the Center for Women's Rights (CDM), and the Association of Women in Guatemala (AMG) will address the issue of violence against women in digital or technology-mediated environments in the Northern Triangle of Central America.

Feminist Articulation of Marcosur (AFM)

The AFM consists of 16 feminist organizations from 11 countries in Latin America and the Caribbean, as well as individuals. It is a current of political thought and action with sustained work to influence issues on the feminist agenda in the international public debate and in intergovernmental definitions. Through ACT, the AFM will strengthen the capacities of its member organizations and other allied organizations for political advocacy in regional and subregional intergovernmental processes.

Latin American Network for Gender-based Strategic Litigation (ReLeG)

ReLeG is a network of litigators, academics, legal practitioners, and activists committed to ending gender-based violence and promoting gender equality in Latin America. ReLeG monitors, documents and promotes strategic litigation on gender-related issues, contributes to legal education with a gender perspective and intersectional approach, and collaborates on public policy design and legal reforms to guarantee gender equality and access to justice. Under ACT, ReLeG will improve access to justice for women and girls who are victims of gender-based violence in Latin America, by enhancing collaboration and exchanges among feminist legal practitioners, academics, and activists, and strengthening the ReLeG community of practice.

Follow-up Mechanism of the Belém do Pará Convention (MESECVI)

MESECVI was created as a multilateral, systematic and permanent evaluation methodology, based on exchange and technical cooperation between the States Parties to the Convention and a Committee of Experts. Under ACT, MESECVI will strengthen advocacy spaces and participating mechanisms for regional women's rights organizations and networks in MESECVI's processes and OAS's broader political agenda, and enhance advocacy, campaigning and policymaking to end violence against women and girls, with a special focus on technology-facilitated gender-based violence, in partnership with these organizations and networks.

Network of Afro-Latin-American, Afro-Caribbean and Diaspora Women (RMAAD)

RMAAD promotes the rights of Afro-descendant women and fights against discrimination, racism and poverty. Through ACT, the network will strengthen leadership and participation of Afro-women in regional spaces of advocacy, and report and analyze the progress of Afro-women ahead of Beijing+30.

Regional Alliance for Free Expression and Information

The Regional Alliance for the Free Expression and Information is a network of 17 NGOs from 15 countries in the Americas. It works regionally to improve and guarantee access to public information and freedom of expression. Through ACT, the Alliance will update and expand the scope of the study *Online Violence against Women with a Public Voice*.

Gender Specialized Network of the Iberoamerican Association of Public Prosecutors (REG-AIAMP)

REG-AIAMP monitors processes of adaptation of the Latin American Protocol Model for the investigation of violent deaths of women for reasons of gender (femicides/feminicides), measures femicides, analyzes the responses to femicides in the context of organized crime, and works to mainstream a gender approach in the management of Public Prosecutors' Officers in more than 33 countries in the Ibero-American region. Under ACT, REG-AIAMP will enhance its capacity to collaborate with women's rights organizations, coalitions, and networks, supporting their efforts to ensure access to justice by advocating for and monitoring the implementation of regional and international standards aimed at eliminating violence against women.

East and Southern Africa Region

Strategic Initiative for Women in the Horn of Africa (SIHA)

SIHA is a regional network comprising more than 150 civil society organizations. Through ACT, SIHA will focus on strengthening institutional capacities, resilience and care practices for regional and sub-regional women's rights and feminist organizations, networks, and coalitions, and co-create processes for deepening sub-regional collaboration in support of collective action against backlash.

African Women's Development and Communication Network (FEMNET)

FEMNET is a pan-African, feminist and membership-based network that amplifies the voices of African women, with over 800 members in Africa. Through ACT, FEMNET will promote cross-institutional collaboration, deepen resilience to backlash, and increase capacities to collect and use knowledge for advocacy.

Equality Now Africa (Solidarity for African Women's Rights Coalition (SOAWR))

Equality Now is a network comprised of grassroots, national, regional and international women's rights organizations. Through ACT, Equality Now will implement impact orientated ending violence against women and girls (EVAWG) initiatives and advocacy actions at the regional level by strengthening annual

accountability reviews, monitoring, and reporting on regional EAWG commitments, and strengthening capacities of non-traditional actors as EAWG advocates.

Sonke Gender Justice

Sonke Gender Justice is a regional network organization that works collectively to achieve gender equality through gender transformative programming by challenging harmful notions of masculinity. Under ACT, Sonke Gender Justice will support engagement, facilitate participation, and strengthen the visibility and influence of women and girls – particularly those from under-represented groups – within collective advocacy on ending violence against women and girls.

Sexual Violence Research Initiative (SVRI)

SVRI is a feminist research organization and network dedicated to evidence-production and exchange on ending violence against women and violence against children. Under ACT, SVRI will coordinate evidence generation via sub-grants to organizations working at regional or sub-regional levels for conducting research based on identified priorities in the African Shared Research Agenda, and supporting platforms for organizations to share and exchange the evidence generated and make existing evidence more accessible.

West and Central Africa Region

Equipop

Equipop is a feminist international solidarity organization whose mission is to improve the living conditions and status of women and girls around the world. Through the ACT program, Equipop will leverage its extensive experience in supporting feminist movements to strengthen regional networks and foster collective feminist mobilizations. The goal is to enhance the capacity of feminist organizations to take action by improving access to funding, as well as to support the production of feminist data and knowledge on violence, with the ultimate aim of ending violence against women and girls.

Helping Our People Excel (HOPE) Inc.

HOPE Inc. is a women-led, rights-based, non-profit organization with the aim of increasing women and girls' access to sexual and reproductive health and rights while working with traditional and religious leaders to empower communities to protect the rights of women in West Africa. Under ACT, HOPE Inc. will work with regional women's rights organizations and traditional and religious leaders to address the social and gender norms and inequality that perpetuate violence against women and girls, especially around harmful practices and intimate partner violence.

Women Aid Collective (WACOL)

WACOL is a women-led organization that works with a focus on gender/human rights, peace advocacy/conflict resolution, democracy/good governance and reproductive health rights. WACOL addresses sexual and gender-based (SGBV) through research, social and legislative advocacy for law

reforms, legal aid and assistance for victims/survivors of SGBV including human trafficking, shelter, and public education to break the culture of silence and impunity surrounding SGBV. Through ACT, WACOL will deepen its work on prevention and engage academic institutions to strengthen data collection of regional civil society organizations and networks and increase evidence base on areas of common interest identified by regional women's rights networks including West African Women's Rights Organisation Coalition (WAWORC).

Women in Politics Forum (WIPF)

WIPF is a non-partisan national organization that leads a flagship peer-to-peer regional mentorship programme. With mentors from Uganda, Kenya and Nigeria, the programme supports selected female politicians across 13 political parties to drive gender-sensitive policies and amplify issues around violence against women in politics. Under ACT, WIPF will build alliances between regional networks working to end violence against women and girls with female parliamentarians in the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) and Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS) parliaments, increasing joint advocacy between decision makers and women's rights organizations.

Panaretugri Initiative for the Well-being of Women (IPBF)

The Panaretugri Initiative for the Well-being of Women (IPBF) is a regional organization dedicated to the development of young girls and women in Francophone West African countries. As a key player in promoting gender equality, IPBF actively contributes to discussions and decisions related to the empowerment and transformational leadership of young girls and women. Within the framework of the ACT program, IPBF highlights youth leadership and the inclusion of marginalized groups, focusing its advocacy efforts in the Sahel sub-region on critical issues such as the fight against female genital mutilation and child marriage.

TOSTAN International

TOSTAN is an NGO created in 1991 that aims to empower communities to develop and achieve their vision for the future and inspire large-scale movements leading to dignity for all. Through ACT, TOSTAN will be driving transformative social norms change with a focus on harmful practices in Senegal and Gambia, as well as leading Community of Practice and Quarterly Dialogues on social norms change toward ending violence against women and girls.

United Nations Trust Fund on Ending Violence against Women: Grantees

Institute for Women in Migration

The Institute for Women in Migration is a civil society organization that promotes the rights of women in migration and their families. Under ACT, the Institute will involve feminist human rights defenders from the Mesoamerican Network of Women, Health and Migration (RMMSyM) to address violence against women migrants and asylum seekers living in or traveling through Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador by strengthening the ending violence against women and girls movement in Central America.

International Community of Women Living with HIV Easter Africa (ICWEA)

ICWEA is a network run for and by HIV positive women to increase support, information, and services available to HIV positive women worldwide and their need for influence and input on policy development. Under ACT, ICWEA will strengthen the collective power, resilience, inclusiveness and impact of the regional movement of Women Living with HIV to end violence against women and girls in Uganda, Kenya and Tanzania.

Humanas Corporation

Humanas Corporation is a feminist organization committed to the guarantee and fulfillment of human rights and gender justice for young women in Colombia, through the implementation of persuasive proposals, research, training, and the articulation of social actors. Through ACT, Humanas Corporation will address the high incidence of violence against women and girls (VAWG) in Latin America by strengthening visibility and advocacy capacity of the Articulación Regional Feminista to forge and exercise collective power and social mobilization around ending VAWG.

Women Advocates Research and Documentation Centre (WARDC)

WARDC is a non-profit women's rights organization which provides pro bono legal services for women victims of gender-based violence and other women's rights abuses. Through ACT, WARDC will empower inter-generational feminist movements in Nigeria and Kenya to address technology-facilitated violence against women and girls and other emerging forms of violence against women and girls.

Dynamics of Women Lawyers

The Dynamics of Women Lawyers works to influence decision-making with regards to gender-based violence and humanitarian preparedness and planning. Through ACT, the Dynamic of Women Lawyers in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and GENFAMI in Colombia will strengthen the collective power of women-led organizations across both countries to eliminate violence against women.

Raising Voices

Raising Voices is an activist organization that creates evidence-based violence prevention programs based in

the everyday realities of schools and communities and supports others to use those methodologies. Under ACT, Raising Voices will enhance ending violence against women feminists' self and collective care, creating safe spaces for knowledge exchange and analysis, and developing a regional agenda across Uganda, Botswana, Zambia, Rwanda and Tanzania.

Coalition on Violence against Women (COVAW)

COVAW's mission is to champion the rights of women and girls to be free from all forms of violations. Through ACT, COVAW will improve the inclusion of women and girls with disabilities in efforts to end violence against women and girls across Rwanda, Malawi, and Kenya.

New Human Rights (NDH)

NDH is an NGO that aims to not only defend but also extend human rights. Through ACT, NDH will strengthen women's rights and feminist movements to end violence against women and girls through an integrated approach in the Central African sub-region, with a particular focus on Cameroon and the Central African Republic.